

Winner Named In Contest

Bill Moore, 13, seventh grader at Bly elementary school, took first place among 65 contestants in the annual district conservation essay contest for school students, sponsored by the Garden Club Federation. His entry was submitted by the Bly Garden Club.

First prize was a \$3 cash award. Bill's essay goes into state competition for a \$25 cash prize. Students of the 7-8-9 grades participated. Entries were submitted from county and city schools.

Second prize went to Sheryl Robinson, 13, eighth grade, Merrill. Third place was won by Nancy Hanan, 13, eighth grader of 432 N. 8th, Klamath Falls.

Judges were Mrs. Verona Dahle, Klamath Falls, district conservation chairman, and member of the Evergreen Garden Club; Carroll Howe, superintendent of Klamath County schools; and Louis Andrew, Klamath County soil scientist.

The winning essay on forest conservation follows:

CONSERVATION OF OUR FOREST

The tree: did you ever stop to think what it means to you, your family, and your friends. Ever since the beginning of time, man has depended upon trees. The early pioneers depended largely upon trees for their living. Their homes were made of the wood from the forest, and the deer and other game, for which they depended upon for food was also found in the forest. New uses for wood were found; today plastic, rayon, plywood, our homes and many other useful things are made from wood.

Man soon realized that the forest land of our country, was fast disappearing. Less wildlife was seen by one on a drive through the country. There became less and less forest land. Man realized he must do something to conserve the trees or soon there would be none left.

"We will raise trees just as we raise wheat and other crops", he said. This way we will have forests for many, many years to come. This was the beginning of tree farming. Trees on these farms will take from seventy-five to one hundred years to ripen. Nobody wants to wait that long, of course, but by careful forest management you can have a crop coming on all the time. Baby trees, young trees, teenage trees, and mature trees may all grow together in one lot.

Today many organizations such as the Scouts, U.S. Forest Service, and the National Park Service, help to conserve our forest. The Scouts are very helpful in fighting forest fires and planting trees. The U.S. Forest Service is connected

with the conservation of the natural forest land throughout the United States. The National Park Service is concerned with the conservation of the forests and wildlife throughout the parks.

Trees have enemies just as other living things have. We must protect them. Fire is the greatest enemy but it is not enough. Civilians should always be on the lookout for forest fires. Insects are the next greatest enemy to the forest. The forest service has done much to stop this great enemy. The diseased trees have been cut and other trees sprayed with an insecticide, and now this great enemy is almost under control.

Trees are truly one of our greatest natural resources. This is why, you and I, as citizens of the United States, should join the many who are doing so much to conserve the forest of our country.

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Macdoel Parents Club Meets

MACDOEL — Appreciation for their help in furnishing supplies for work on the Macdoel School playground was voted a number of persons at the March 15 meeting of the Macdoel Parents and Patrons Club.

A card of thanks is being sent George Doran of Associated Lumber and Box Company at Dorris for his donation of lumber. Refreshments were served by room mothers, Mrs. J. H. Nonkes, Mrs. Clarence Cross and Mrs. Eldon Cordia.

Thanked at the meeting were Ken Alexander for two sacks of cement, Ora Garey for wire donated for the baseball backstop, and the Criss brothers for additional cement.

Ways of getting playground equipment for older students were discussed.

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TOKYO (AP) — Crewmen from some captured Japanese fishing boats have been sentenced to long prison terms by the Soviet Union, the Kyodo News Agency said Tuesday.

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CAP To Hold Food Sale

This Saturday, April 3, the Civil Air Patrol Cadet girls are holding a food sale at Sears starting at 10 a.m., to earn money to go to the summer encampment in Portland at the Air Base. Several girls are interested in attending. The encampment has tentatively been set for June 19 through

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The choral group from Salem, directed by Don M. Gleckner, will sing a two-hour program of sacred and secular music.

Highlights on the program include "Jesus, Joy and Treasure" by Busthude; an instrumental ensemble, "Forsake Me Not," a 19th Century Monsoon, "Come Thou, Holy Spirit," Tchesnokoff; "Brazilian Psalm," Berger. "A Phantom of Delight," Wilson; "Chilun, Come on Home," a Negro spiritual; "Great Day," Martin; "Every Night When the Sun Goes Down," Appalachian arrangement by Scott; "I Won't Kiss Katy," Aschenbrenner.

Two Klamath Falls students are in the choir: Ronald Herberger, son of Mrs. Jack Herberger and Robert Van Vactor, son of Mr. and Mrs. D. E. Van Vactor.

The public is cordially invited to attend the Thursday evening performance.

The choir will also sing in the Klamath Union High School Friday morning at 11 a.m., before leaving for a concert in Redding, California.

Security Risks Believed Few

WASHINGTON (AP) — Congress has been told that about 15 of some 11,000 Bureau of Reclamation employees are possible security risks.

In testimony given early last month and made public Wednesday, Reclamation Commissioner W. A. Drexler told a House appropriations subcommittee that these 15 are stationed outside of Washington.

Drexler said no employees had been discharged but that two resigned when they learned the bureau was prepared to prefer charges. He mentioned no names.

Drexler said that investigations since he took over the bureau a year or so ago have disclosed only two persons believed to be security risks.

"There are others under investigation. I do not know what the determination will be on those. But everybody is being given a very critical review," he said. The bureau is in the process of getting security risks off the payroll, Drexler said.

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